

Today, the students, families and staff at St. Mary's are recognized throughout the area for their exemplary record of service to their community. St. Mary's has been recognized for its work on behalf of the American Lung Association, the local Crisis Pregnancy Center and Catholic Charities.

I would like to congratulate Principal Cathy Robertson, Father Alan Hunter, and the students, teachers and staff of St. Mary's School, past and present, as they celebrate this important birthday and wish them another 100 years of success.

#### CYBERSECURITY ENHANCEMENT ACT OF 2009

SPEECH OF

**HON. LAURA RICHARDSON**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, February 3, 2010*

Ms. RICHARDSON. Madam Speaker, I rise today in support of H.R. 4061, the Cybersecurity Enhancement Act, which addresses the recommendations of the Cyberspace Policy Review to improve cybersecurity in the Federal, private, and public sectors.

I would like to acknowledge Speaker PELOSI and Chairman GORDON for their leadership in bringing this important resolution to the floor. I would also like to thank my colleague Congressman LIPINSKI, who authored this legislation that will result in the development and implementation of a strategic plan guiding the overall direction of Federal cybersecurity and information assurance research and development.

As a former member of the House Homeland Security Subcommittee on Emergency Threats, Cybersecurity and Science and Technology, I have been concerned about these issues. The rapid development of information technology has led to increased connectivity and productivity that has greatly benefited the U.S. economy. However, with these great advances comes the disadvantage of increased vulnerability of our information technology infrastructure. Reports of cyber crime, hacking, and viruses has steadily risen, heightening concerns over the adequacy of our cybersecurity measures and the need for further research and development.

My district, the 37th district of California, is heavily dependent on technology and computing networks, so I am pleased that H.R. 4061 is a bill that will improve cybersecurity in the Federal, private, and public sectors. This legislation achieves this goal by developing a skilled cybersecurity workforce, coordinating and prioritizing the Federal R&D portfolio, improving the transfer of cybersecurity technologies to the marketplace, promoting cybersecurity education and awareness for the general public, and coordinating U.S. representation in the development of international cybersecurity technical standards. My district, the 37th district of California, is heavily dependent on technology and computing networks, so I am pleased that . . .

In conclusion, Madam Speaker, I support this legislation because with our increasing reliance on the internet, we need to make sure

our cyber systems are secure. I am pleased that Congress is taking action to promote these improvements and adequately fund the areas of government responsible for our cybersecurity.

Madam Speaker, I urge my colleagues to join me in supporting H.R. 4061.

#### HONORING THE ZEPHYRHILLS HIGH SCHOOL JROTC

**HON. GINNY BROWN-WAITE**

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, February 22, 2010*

Ms. GINNY BROWN-WAITE of Florida. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the Zephyrhills High School JROTC for their dedication to service on behalf of our nation's heroes and veterans.

On February 11th, a signing ceremony will take place by the National Armed Forces Community covenant in honor of the Zephyrhills High School JROTC.

Although this presentation has taken place in over 700 communities across our great country, this presentation is significant because it is the first presentation being made to a High School JROTC. As such, this historic ceremony represents an unprecedented commitment to improving the quality of life for our soldiers and their families by the Zephyrhills High School JROTC.

Madam Speaker, it is an honor to recognize the Zephyrhills High School JROTC. On behalf of a grateful nation, this Congress, and the local community of veterans and active service members, I thank the members of Zephyrhills JROTC for their dedication to this country.

#### RECOGNIZING NORTHSIDE COLLEGE PREPARATORY HIGH SCHOOL

**HON. MIKE QUIGLEY**

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, February 22, 2010*

Mr. QUIGLEY. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the success of Northside College Preparatory Academy, recently named number one high school in Illinois based upon its students scoring in the highest average percentile on the Prairie State Achievement Examination.

Led by principal Barry P. Rodgers and assistant principal Dr. Margaret E. Murphy, Northside Prep has worked tirelessly since 1999 to help foster student values. The school teaches students that vital leadership skills, critical problem solving skills, a passion to learn, and the ability to balance all these attributes are tantamount to a successful adult life.

In addition, Northside Prep helps its students further explore their individual interests and heritages by offering an array of extra-curricular clubs that cater to various hobbies, nationalities, and human rights issues. Northside Prep has shown that focusing on developing a well rounded student, can and does improve the education they receive,

something evidenced by their recent success on the Reading, Science and Math achievement tests.

Madam Speaker, for these reasons, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing the important contributions that Northside College Preparatory has made in shaping and educating Chicago's youth, and in enriching the communities surrounding it.

#### HONORING STELL MANFREDI

**HON. GEORGE RADANOVICH**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, February 22, 2010*

Mr. RADANOVICH. Madam Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Stell Manfredi upon his retirement as the Madera County Administrative Officer. Mr. Manfredi was honored by the Madera County Board of Supervisors on Saturday, January 30, 2010.

Mr. Stell Manfredi was born in 1945 in Madera, California. He attended St. Joachim's Catholic Grammar School and graduated from Madera High School in 1963. Upon his high school graduation, he attended Fresno City College and California State University, Fresno, where he earned his Bachelor's Degree in Business Administration with a minor in Economics. In 1969, Mr. Manfredi joined the United States Naval Reserve and served in DaNang, Vietnam.

After returning to Madera in 1971, Mr. Manfredi began working for the Madera County Administrative Office. The first three years he served as an Administrative Analyst I and was promoted to Administrative Analyst II. In 1980, he became the Assistant County Administrative Officer, and in 1991 he was named the County Administrative Officer.

In the thirty-eight years of working for the County Administrative Office, Mr. Manfredi has worked on many county projects; including the jail construction, juvenile boot camp, Madera Ranchos water system, juvenile hall, Oakhurst sewer system, the Madera County Government Center and parking facility, the Oakhurst fire and sheriff facility and the central garage facility. The county has grown in population, employees and budget. In 1971, when Mr. Manfredi began with the county, there were 42,600 residents, 375 employees and a sixteen million dollar budget. Today, there are over 151,000 residents, 1,700 employees and a two hundred million dollar budget. Mr. Manfredi has participated in almost two thousand Board of Supervisor meetings, worked under the direction of twenty-one members of the Board of Supervisors and has worked with over one hundred and thirty appointed and elected county department heads. He is currently the second longest serving County Administrative Officer in the State of California, he is the third County Administrative Officer for Madera county. Mr. Manfredi also acted as the Executive Officer of the Local Agency Formation Commission from 1971 until 2000.

Madam Speaker, I rise today to commend and congratulate Stell Manfredi upon his retirement from Madera County. I invite my colleagues to join me in wishing Mr. Manfredi many years of continued success.